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During Coffee County Commission meeting

County engineer says 28.76 miles of county roadways projected to be resurfaced in FY23

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Coffee County Commission meeting held Monday, March 27, county engineer Marty Lentz provided commissioners with a summary of the resurfacing projects slated for 2023.

Thanks in part to extra resurfacing funds the county has been awarded for this fiscal year, Lentz said there would be more resurfacing completed than normal. He said there are 10 roads slated for resurfacing covering 28.76 miles of county roads.

"It is going to be a busy resurfacing summer," Lentz said.

The estimated cost for these resurfacing projects is \$5,235,225 or \$184,283 per mile to resurface a two-lane county road. Lentz said the cost of roadway work has really escalated.

Already completed on the projects list is 4.41 miles

of roadway on County Rd. 239 [from County Rd. 248 northeast to Alabama Hwy. 167] in District One.

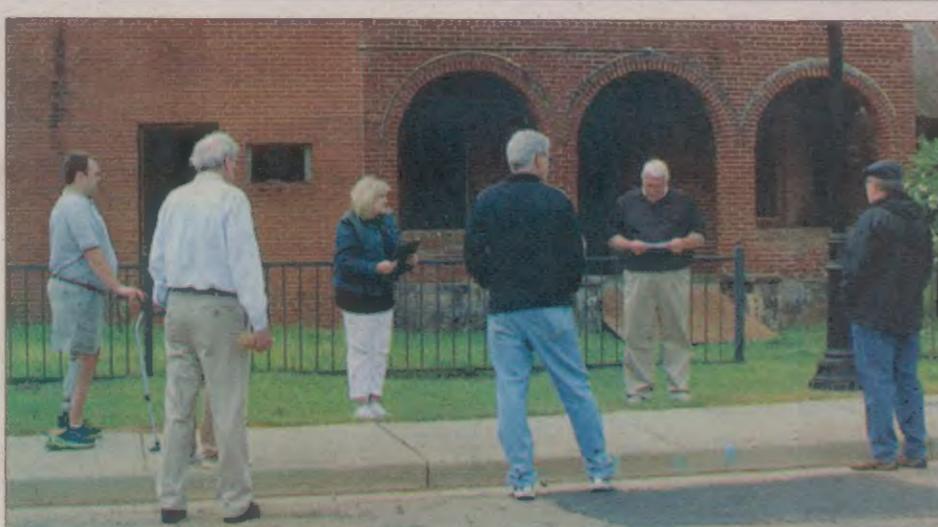
Additional resurfacing projects planned for Fiscal Year 2023 include:

- 2.97 miles on County Rd. 450 [from Alabama Hwy. 134 west to Alabama Hwy. 87] in District Three;
- 1.37 miles on County Rd. 346 [from County Rd. 330 south to County Rd. 349] in District One; and
- 2.74 miles on County Rd. 239 [from County Rd. 625 east to Alabama Hwy. 27] in Districts Three and Four;

"I want to thank Marty's staff, for Senator Jimmy Holley, and others for looking into and searching for every highway dollar we could get this year," Commission Chairman Dean Smith said. "It is one of those years where we got more funds than usual."

In other business from the county engineer, commis-

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This photo was taken the first year Elba participated in the April Walking Tours event through the Alabama Department of Tourism. Elba's tour makes stops at several landmarks and includes information on the levee. Elba Chamber director Sandy Williams leads the tours. In the photo above, Kenneth Grantham speaks in front of the old Coffee County Jail where his father Sheriff Neil Grantham was gunned down in the 1970s.

Elba tours set for two Saturdays - April 15th & 22nd

Alabama's Tourism Department hosting April Walking Tours in 25 Alabama towns

Almost 25 Alabama towns are open to explore on Saturday mornings in April during Alabama Tourism Department's 20th annual April Walking Tours.

New this year from the previous years is each town has selected the Saturday mornings they will be hosting.

Community leaders will guide the free tours through historical areas that display art and culture. The tours will start at 10 a.m. on the specific Saturday mornings chosen by the participating cities. In the case of rain, tours will be canceled since they occur outdoors.

Elba will host tours Saturdays, April 15 and 22 only. The Elba tours will begin from the Elba Chamber of Commerce office, which is currently located on Factory Avenue next to Blessed Nutrition.

"The April Walking Tours were created for Alabamians to see and learn about their beautiful state," said Sandy Williams, director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce. "Alabama is the only state in the nation to have statewide walking tours. Participating in these walking tours is a great way to learn more about our cities that are full of history and culture." Towns and starting places for the April Walking Tours are: Athens-Limestone Co. (Athens-Limestone Visitors Center), Bayou La Batre (Mariner Park), Birmingham (Birmingham Civil Rights Institute), Courtland (Courtland Heritage Museum), Cullman (Cullman



Elba senior Ava Staver, standing in the back with band director Shaun Hammonds, was recognized March 21st during the Elba BOE meeting for her many band-related accomplishments. Hammonds said Staver is a great musician. Also pictured (seated from left) is Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley, and board members Greg Sowell, Johnny Senn, Miranda Russell, and DeAnn Grantham.

Elba High band student receives special recognition at BOE meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba High School band student and senior Ava Staver received special recognition during the Tuesday, March 21, Elba Board of Education meeting.

Superintendent Chris Moseley said Staver came to Elba City Schools during her ninth grade year.

"She came here mainly for music and our band program," Moseley said. "During her time at Elba, Ava has really proven herself in what she had done with her musical talents. We certainly did not want an accomplishment like hers to go unnoticed."

Over the past four years, Moseley said Staver had

Auburn's Sonic Nation to perform

Sonic Nation, Auburn University's commercial music ensemble, will perform a free concert Friday, April 21, at 7 p.m., at the historic Elba Theatre, located on the square in downtown Elba [231 Court Street]. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

The Elba Eclectics, Elba High School's choral group, will open the concert with audience and student favor-

ites, followed by a full concert of popular music from commercial music majors and others who make up Sonic Nation.

Sonic Nation is an eclectic collection of student musicians and songwriters from across all sounds and genres.

"My time in Sonic Nation has been a wonderful experience, and I have been blessed with many opportunities while at Auburn," Whitehurst said. "I hope everyone in Elba and Coffee County will come out to enjoy the concert!"

The concert is free, but attendees are encouraged to provide a \$5 donation at the concert to assist with future renovations of the historic Elba Theatre. The concert is co-sponsored by Restoration 154 Inc. and the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities, and Restoration 154, will host a planning meeting Monday, April 17, for a new mural project. The meeting will be from 5 to 7 p.m.

For more information on Sonic Nation, contact Jilla Webb at jilla.a.webb@auburn.edu.

The new mural, measur-

Area Happenings

The Coffee County Relay for Life will hold the annual Survivor Dinner on Monday, April 17, from 6-8 p.m. Call 334-372-5865 for information. Also, the annual Relay for Life Walk will be Friday, April 21, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Bates Memorial Stadium in Enterprise, Ala.

Eggs & Issues - Breakfast with the Chamber will be Friday, April 21, at 7:30 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Elba First Baptist Church. Featured speakers will be Senator Josh Carnley and Representative Rhett Marques. Cost is \$12 for breakfast. Call the Elba Chamber of Commerce for tickets or more information [334-790-9081].



Elba Public Library to host April 17th meeting for new mural project ideas

The Elba Public Library, in partnership with the Auburn University Department of Art & Art History, the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities, and Restoration 154, will host a planning meeting Monday, April 17, for a new mural project. The meeting will be from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Elba Public Library, located at 406 Simmons St. in downtown Elba.

The new mural, measur-

ing 16 x 7 feet, will be drawn by Professor Wendy Deschene this summer and painted during the fall semester by undergraduate art students at Auburn University. The community is invited to attend the meeting and participate in the planning process. The mural will be located in the library's meeting room.

During the meeting, attendees will have the opportunity to discuss the project and share ideas for what the mural should convey for the city of Elba. Participants are encouraged to consider themes, historic figures or events, symbols, colors, images, and stories they want to be featured in the mural. Images from archives or personal collections are also welcome.

To view murals from past projects, visit <https://www.wendydeschene.ca/murals>.

For more information about the meeting or the mural project, contact the Elba Public Library at 334-897-6921.



Auburn University's Sonic Nation will be in concert Friday, April 21, in downtown Elba. Elba native Kristopher Whitehurst is a member of the group. The concert is free.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"It is better to offer no excuse than a bad one." – George Washington

Two U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopters crashed last Wednesday night during a training mission in southwestern Kentucky. We shuddered at the news of this crash. Many years ago we were involved in just this type night training, but in Oklahoma and later Europe. Our only notable incident that night was releasing a load of infantry troops right in a grazing herd of buffalo. They were not there earlier in the day when the war games were being planned! The platoon members were not too happy about that but they managed to get out of that mess without anyone getting gored by the buffalo! Those animals were probably as shocked as the soldiers when this big helicopter disrupted their peaceful grazing.

Another school shooting. This one in Tennessee. We are impressed with the rapid and efficient police reaction to the school shooting in Memphis last Wednesday. Somehow we can't gloat over the death of the shooter, but know it was the right response by the law enforcement officials. While we salute them for their professional response, we are prayerfully thankful that it was not yours truly that had to make that split second decision to neutralize the shooter.

State-of-the-art cell phones are being dumped and older "dumber" phones of yesteryear are experiencing a resurgence among teenagers! They are rebelling against the screen time habits that smartphones have created. We don't know if this will last but it is probably a good sign for society. Rather than friends collecting at the local coffee or malt shop, and each promptly whipping out their smart phone and spending their social gathering in the world of cyberspace, they can again just sit, laugh and talk with each other.

The indictment of Donald Trump is a first for the United States. We sit back and watch some celebrate, while others slam the justice system. The political types are just as divided as the general public is torn apart. Some applaud the action, some charge witch-hunts but there is another group that is trying to "duck" the fallout by saying nothing or taking a political position of, "Some of my friends are for it and some of my friends are against it and I am with my friends!"

All the national news outlets are dominated with Donald Trump this week as he travels to New York to answer the indictment issued there. It this is any indication of what the future holds, we are in for a long siege of 'breaking news' as there are ongoing Trump investigations about the January riot in Washington, Georgia election vote count, and classified documents at his Florida home. Any one of those would take up most of the daily news if they progress past "investigating".

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters (the newest one)!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, March 28, 2023, and Monday, April 3, 2023, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Mar. 28 – Suspicious person reported on Neil Grantham Dr (1:48 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 315 Adkinson Ave – w/ impound (11:06 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at Hwy 84 and Davis St (11:46 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 2406 Taylor Mill Rd (12:43 p.m.); Prowler reported in the area of 1207 Claxton Ave N (2:36 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 7776 Claxton Ave N (4:47 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in three verbal warnings, and one written warning.

Wednesday, Mar. 29 – Suspicious vehicle reported at the Dog Park parking lot (12:23 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 189 N (5:20 a.m.); Theft

of property reported at 997 Winston Ave (9:17 a.m.); Stolen vehicle reported at 2209 Taylor Mill Rd (1:03 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1282 Ann St (1:33 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1021 Teresa St (7:15 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 1241 Farris Ave (9:35 p.m.).

Four traffic stops resulted in three verbal warnings, and one written warning.

Thursday, Mar. 30 – Suspicious person reported at 1282 Ann St (7:35 a.m.); Trespassing reported to Elba Police (9:59 a.m.); Harassment reported at 804 Hwy 203 (10:14 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on County Rd 407 (2:30 p.m.); Animal

complaint reported at 1242 Jones Circle (5:45 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 215 Plant Ave (8:06 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 215 Plant Ave (10:01 p.m.); Report of shots fired on Lee St (11:17 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

Friday, Mar. 31 – Domestic complaint reported at 640 Reynolds Ave – w/an arrest (1:19 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 890 Cedar Lane Dr (3:37 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 225 Fox Dr (7:23 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 712 Simmons St (9:38 p.m.).

Saturday, Apr. 1 – Suspicious vehicle reported on Edgewood Dr (12:26 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (2:52 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 740 West St – w/arrest (10:06 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances

reported at Hwy 141 and Hwy 166 (3:15 p.m.); Animal complaint reported in Mulberry Heights (9:54 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 304 Factory Ave (10:45 p.m.).

Sunday, Apr. 2 –

Intoxicated person reported on Whitman St (11:07 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 1667 Reese Ave (1:31 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Davis St E near National Security (11:05 p.m.).

Monday, Apr. 3 – Animal complaint reported at 475 Hwy 203 – w/impound (9:25 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (9:32 a.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Davis St and Claxton Ave – w/ arrest (12:59 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 778 Reese Ave (2:43 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, and one written warning.

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Cuzin Lou Lou's Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be
enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Sister has been gloating this week after she managed to outscore Cuzin Lou Lou in a bowling match last weekend!

The two made the trek to the bowling alley with some of their Yonder Gang kin – Cuzin B, his wife, and their three little reds. It is always an adventure when this group gets together to have fun.

The bowling started off pretty much as Lou Lou expected. She and Cuzin B were in a battle for the 'top spot' but his bride had other plans as she vaulted past both of them to take game one. Only two of the little reds are of age to be able to bowl, and both of them had a blast chunking that ball down the alley.

Meanwhile the littlest of the reds was enjoying people watching, chewing on his tongue, and splitting up on Lou Lou multiple times following his bottle treat! He left almost no

spot untouched on Lou Lou's clothing...and the wet wipes came in real handy that afternoon!

Then, there was Sister doing her Sister-thing. Of course, she will not even hear of 'renting' shoes at the bowling alley, so she comes equipped with her own pair for the game.

Lou Lou had to purchase those several years ago in order to get Sister to even consider going to the bowling alley. This was maybe the third time Sister had used said shoes since their purchase.

If you've never gone bowling or to play putt-putt golf with Sister...well, it is quite the experience!

While Lou Lou examines each of her shots closely before she makes a move [trying for the best possible outcome], Sister simply walks up to the point of release and let's that ball rip. Same goes for the golf club in putt-putt. She walks up to the ball and slings that club letting the ball land wherever it may.

Game One of last weekend's bowling match was true to Sister sporting fashion and her score showed it as she came in last place! Game Two, however, something unusual happened.

Lou Lou lost her focus/touch/something and she could not get a good roll no matter how hard she tried. The end result was a loss to Sister!

All Lou Lou could say was, "I have no idea what in the name of Yonder just happened!"

As for Sister, she loved every second of her 'win' over Lou Lou even though they were last and next-to-last in the standings. All that mattered to Sister was she, for once, got the upper hand on the very competitive Lou Lou.

Oh well...Lou Lou guesses those shoes finally paid for themselves for Sister, and maybe now she will be more willing to return to the alley sooner rather than later.

Until next time...God Bless, Keep Smiling and Happy Easter to all! We rejoice in knowing, He Is Risen!!



Governor announces February unemployment rate ties record low

Governor Kay Ivey announced recently that Alabama's preliminary, seasonally adjusted February unemployment rate is 2.5%, tying the all-time record low, down from January 2023's rate of 2.6%, and below February 2022's rate of 2.6%. February 2023's rate represents 56,221 unemployed persons, a new record low, compared to 58,392 in January 2023 and 58,943 in February of 2022.

"Once again, we've hit a record low unemployment rate," said Governor Ivey. "While it may seem like we break these records month after month, we know that even with record low unemployment, we still have a duty to provide good, quality jobs to every Alabamian who wants one. I'm proud of our economic successes and reaffirm my commitment to continue to work to make this state the best place to live, work and raise a family."

Wage and salary employment, totaling 2,133,500 in February, increased 15,900 over the month. Monthly gains were seen in the professional and business services sector (+3,800), the government sector (+3,500), the leisure and hospitality sector (+3,400), the private education and health services sector (+3,200), the manufacturing sector (+1,100), the construction sector (+700) and the information sector (+300), among others.

Wage and salary employment increased 43,900 over the year, with annual gains seen in the private education and health services sector (+8,600), the manufacturing sector (+8,200), the government sector (+7,600), the professional and business services sector (+7,300), the leisure and hospitality sector (+4,900), the other services sector (+3,600), the construction sector (+3,400), the information sector (+900) and the financial activities sector (+800), with the other services sector setting an all-time record high jobs count.

"Job growth of nearly 44,000 over the year

Elba proclaims April as Child Abuse Awareness Month

During the Elba City Council meeting held Monday evening, March 27, city officials approved a Proclamation recognizing the month of April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The proclamation read as shown below:

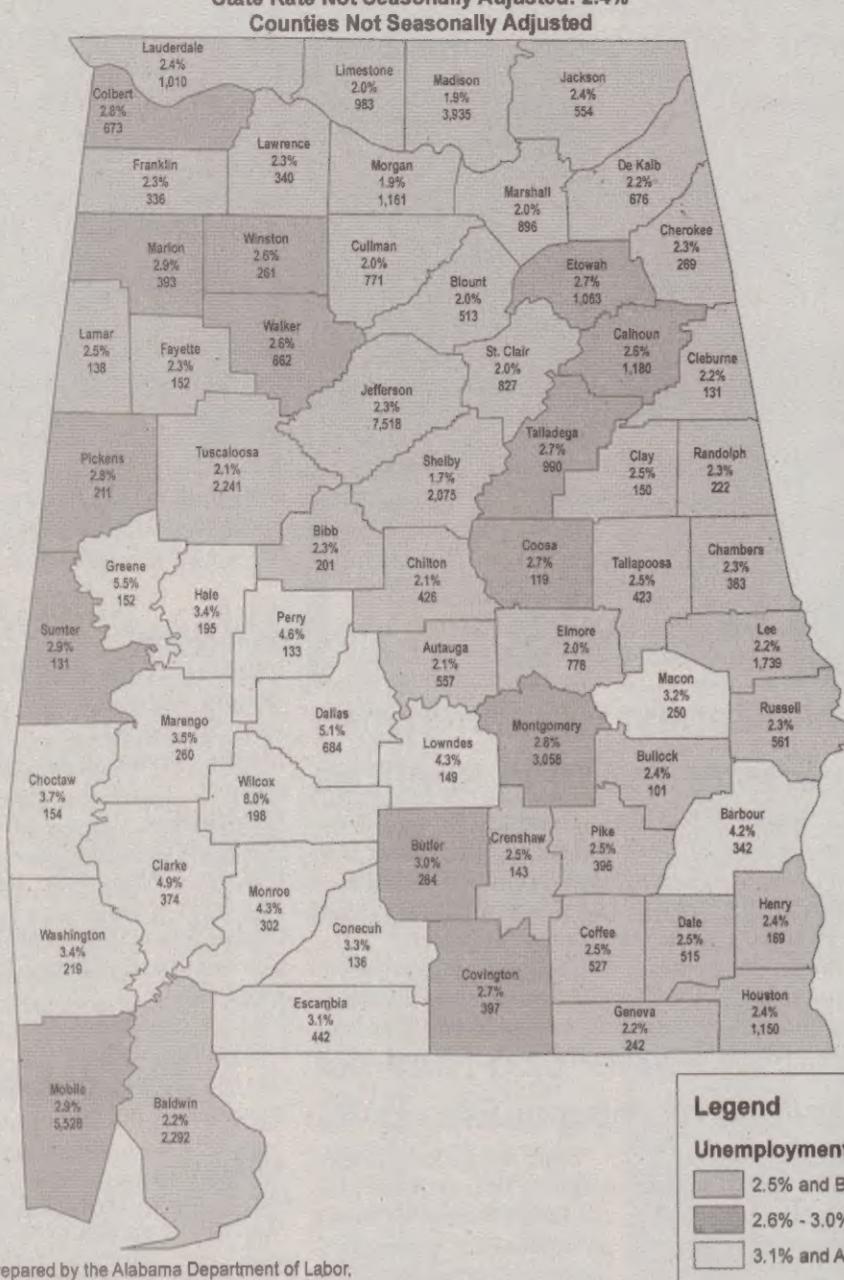
WHEREAS, in Federal fiscal year 2021, 3.9 million reports were made to child protective services; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of the City of Elba, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, child abuse can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional



CHURCH & LOCAL NEWS

Alabama Historical Marker to be unveiled Saturday, April 15, for New Providence Primitive Baptist Church and Rhoades Cemetery

The community is invited to attend the unveiling ceremony Saturday, April 15, of an Alabama Historical Marker for the New Providence Primitive Baptist Church and the Rhoades Cemetery.

This ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in front of the New Providence Primitive Baptist Church, located in the Rhoades Community of Coffee County on Alabama Highway 189 between Perry's Store and Kinston, Ala.

Following the unveiling of the marker, all will be invited to tour the restored historical church.

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Ken Wilson, Pastor
Westside Baptist Church

The Tomb Was Empty

I found this illustration many years ago and it is all that needs to be said this week!

"Little Philip, born with Down's Syndrome, attended a third-grade Sunday School class with several eight-year-old boys and girls. Typical of that age, the children did not readily accept Philip with his differences, according to an article in Leadership magazine. But because of a creative teacher, they began to care about Philip and accept him as part of the group, though not fully.

The Sunday after Easter the teacher brought Leggs pantyhose containers, the kind that look like large eggs. Each receiving one, the children were told to go outside on that lovely spring day, find some symbol for new life, and put it in the egg-like container. Back in the classroom, they would share their new-life symbols, opening the containers one by one in surprise fashion.

After running about the church property in wild confusion, the students returned to the classroom and placed the containers on the table. Surrounded by the children, the teacher began to open them one by one. After each one, whether flower, butterfly, or leaf, the class would ooh and ahh. Then one was opened, revealing nothing inside. The children exclaimed, "That's stupid. That's not fair. Somebody didn't do their assignment."

Philip spoke up, "That's mine."

"Philip, you don't ever do things right!" the students retorted. "There's nothing there!"

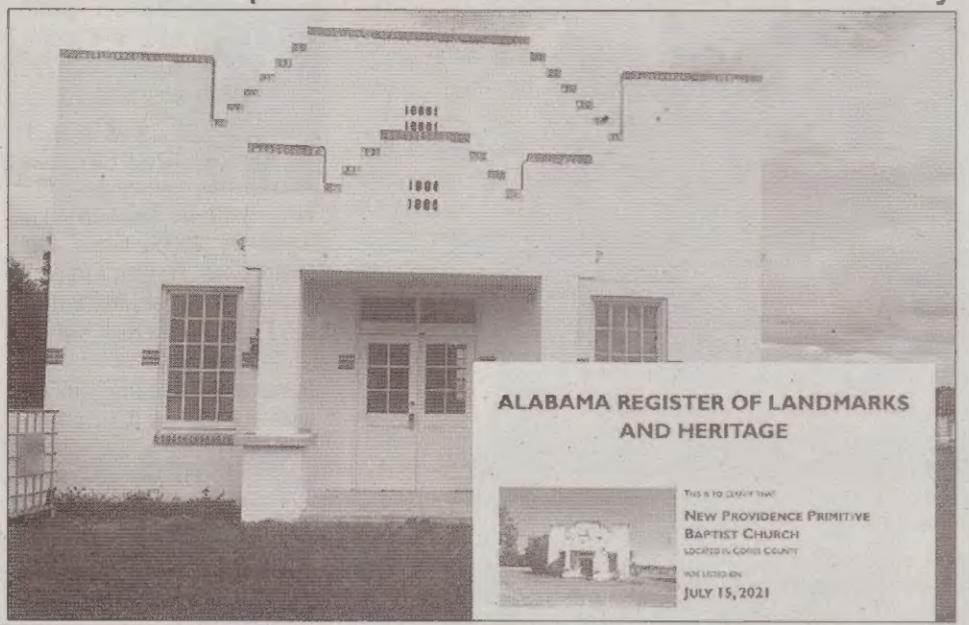
"I did so do it," Philip insisted. "I did do it. It's empty. The tomb was empty!"

Silence followed. From then on Philip became a full member of the class.

He died not long afterward from an infection most normal children would have shrugged off. At the funeral this class of eight-year-olds marched up to the altar not with flowers, but with their Sunday school teacher, each to lay on it an empty pantyhose egg."

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. (Matthew 28:6)

May the empty tomb make all the difference in your life!



Newbia Baptist Church invites all to Easter morning services

Newbia Baptist Church, located on County Rd 330, Elba, will have an Easter Sunrise Service this Sunday, April 9, beginning at 6:30 a.m. Following the service, breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall.

Community Easter Egg Hunt set for Saturday morning at Elba UMC

A Community Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m., at Elba United Methodist Church, located at 503 W Davis St., in Elba.

Spring Revival planned April 10-12 at GNZMBC

Spring Revival services will be held April 10-12 at Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Elba. Services will be at 7 p.m. nightly.

Revival for Monday and Tuesday nights [April 10 & 11], will be Rev.

All are invited to attend.

Help us to Share Your upcoming Church events with the Community!

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IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Paul Jackson, Pastor

Sunday Fellowship...9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship...10:00 a.m.

Wed. Night...peak of the Week & meal...5:30 p.m.

Bible Study & Prayer...6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor

Sunday School...9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Discipleship Training...5:00 p.m.

Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD KINSTON

Danny Bradshaw, Pastor

Sunday School...10:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study...6:30 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Scott Donaldson, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Edward E. Drake, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Thurs. Service...5:00 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor

Sunday School...9:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Service...7:00 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Dwight Johnson, Pastor

Sunday School...9:30 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:30 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Service...7:00 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Steve Reneau, Pastor

Sunday School...9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Service...7:00 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor

Sunday School...9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Will Jordan, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Night...7:00 p.m.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sunday

Sunday School...9:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Even. Worship...6:30 p.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

Sunday School...9:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Reneau, Pastor

Sunday School...9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...10:00 a.m.

Even. Services...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Service...6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Shirlee Ellis, Pastor

Sunday School...9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...5:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Lowell Martin, Pastor

Sunday School...9:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:30 p.m.

Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:30 p.m.

Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:30 p.m.

Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even. Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Night...7:00 p.m.

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship...11:00 a.m.

Even

LIFESTYLES



Students in ESCC's first Skid Steer class receive a certificate for their completed training. Pictured, in order by last name, are James DeVasure, Howard Drew, ESCC President Danny Long, Willie Mason, Charles Newman, Preston Powell, ESCC Director of Workforce Development Leigh Shiver, Robert Thoms, Dakota Wicker, Instructor Tim Williams and Danny Wright.

Eight complete skid steer training at ESCC

On Friday, March 24, eight students, including one high school student, completed the first skid steer training course offered at ESCC.

"We're proud to offer this training to our community," ESCC Director of Workforce Development Leigh Shiver said. "This training has helped these students develop the skills they need to be successful in their current job or in finding a great job."

The free training was developed through the Alabama Community College System's Skills for Success program. Students completed online work before receiving hands-on training March 23-24.

Skills for Success is ACCS's rapid workforce training program that launched in early 2022. It was developed in partnership with the state's businesses and industries so the training is aligned with the skills employers say workers need to fill available jobs.

The appeal to trainees — other than getting the skills needed for an in-demand job — is that Skills for Success training is offered at no cost thanks to appropriations from the Legislature and can usually be completed in two to three weeks.

A reason Skills for Success training can be completed so quickly is part of it is offered online, with

self-paced interactive learning that can take place anywhere a student can connect to the Internet. Upon completing the online portion of the course, students then complete hands-on training with qualified instructors and earn an ACCS credential that shows employers they are job ready.

Instructor Tim Williams said these trainings are extremely beneficial to participants, "either to do the career they're already in or to start a new career." He also said there was a demand for trained skid steer drivers, so much so that employers are asking to hire students before they finish the course.

"Every time we've had a class, they've been filled, and there are people that will actually see us when we go out somewhere and try to interview our students while we're on break," he said.

High school student Preston Powell took part in ESCC's training, where he learned how to operate and maneuver skid steers safely, among other skills. He said he was "excited" to see the free training being offered.

"As soon as I saw it, I jumped on it and applied for it," he said. "As soon as I got the email to do the online portion, I finished that in a couple of hours. I hope to use this after I graduate high school. If someone needs to run a skid steer or heavy equipment, I've

been awarded to the car show participants.

Also, the day's events will include live music, food trucks, and vendors. For more information about the Foggy Bottom Cruisin' Car Show, contact Kenneth Calhoun at (334) 313-5505 or register online at www.rockintheriverelba.com [or register the day of the event on site].

The car show will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. In case of rain, it will be rescheduled for May 13th.

There is no admission charge to come check out all the different cars and trucks as there will be numerous makes and models on display. Multiple trophies will



MEMBERS OF THE ELBA MASONIC LODGE #170 MET on the morning of Thursday, March 27, in a special called meeting to initiate Brother Jeremy Wade Bess into lodge membership. After the initiation, all enjoyed fellowship and work. Those present for this meeting included: (front, l to r) Steven Hunko, Joe Bess, Jeremy Wade Bess, Wendell Black, Ronnie Rawls, Seth Hanchey, Troy Gideon III, and Jack Caradine; (middle, l to r) Allan Crenshaw, James Beasley, Dale Stewart, Ashton Davis, Joel Moore, and Mike Porterfield; (back, l to r) James Mowery, PGM Tommy Morrow, and Mike Murphy.



MEMBERS OF THE ELBA MASONIC LODGE #170 GATHERED Monday, April 3, for a regular meeting during which Brother Steven Matthew Little was passed to a Fellow Craft. The meeting consisted of work, good food and fellowship. Those present included: (front, l to r) Earl Smith, Daniel Stephens, Jim Little, Steven Matthew Little, Seth Hanchey, Ashton Davis, Ray Kyle, Chris Sanders, Ronnie Rawls, Eddie Kelley, and Troy Gideon III; (2nd row, l to r) Matt Brunson Sr., Mike Amison, Jerome Blackmon, Michael Phelps, Joe Dougherty, Allan Crenshaw, and Randy Hawthorne; (third row, l to r) Justin Prescott, Dustin Hunt, Dale Stewart, Shane Goude, Drexell Richards, Steve Dewberry, and Joel Moore; (back, l to r) James Mowery, Tommy Morrow, W/M Wendell Black, Jack Caradine, Bernice Donaldson, and Joe Thomas.

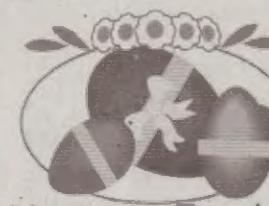
New Hope Senior Center looking for new participants

The New Hope Senior Citizens Center is taking applications for new participants. Must be age 60 or older.

For more information, contact Conzuella Banks, center manager.

"Happy Days Ahead" Mental Health Peer Support Group meets Monday nights at the Rabbit Hole in Elba, Ala.

The "Happy Days Ahead" contact Rory Vignola on Facebook.



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Wyrosdick competes in Miss Huntingdon

The annual Miss Huntingdon Pageant was held Saturday, April 1, with thirteen Huntingdon women participating in the pageant, including Coffee County native Lougener Blair Wyrosdick. She is a sophomore majoring in biochemistry/pre-health and is the daughter of Lougener and Jamie Wyrosdick of Kinston, Ala. She serves as correspondence chair for the Freshman Leadership Initiative, director of alumni relations for Alpha Omicron Pi women's fraternity; and a member of the Madison Society, the Future Physicians Club, Circle K, and the Hawks cheer



Blair Wyrosdick

team. Her philanthropy was Ronald McDonald House Charities. Blair graduated high school from Kinston School.

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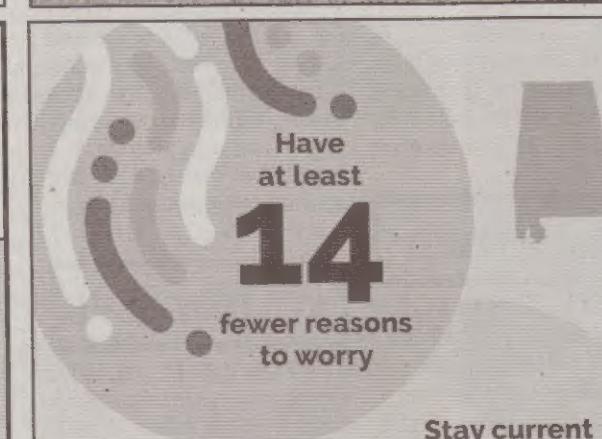
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Consumers need to stop using products called Delsam Pharma's Artificial Eye Ointment, EzriCare Artificial Tears and Delsam Pharma's Artificial Tears. These are over-the-counter products manufactured by a company called Global Pharma Healthcare Private Limited.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that 68 people were diagnosed with infections from the bacteria, which has caused three deaths and eight cases of people losing their vision.

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Seniors age 60 and older encouraged to get active with Elba Senior Center

Seniors age 60 and older are encouraged to attend the Elba Senior Citizens Center. Along with nutritious meals five days a week, the director works with seniors to help them apply for several programs they may qualify, including Farmers Market Vouchers, HRDC Energy Assistance, Food Assistance, Medicaid Waiver, Senior Rx Program, Medicare Savings Program, etc. Seniors must be an active participant at the Elba Senior center for the director to sign them up for the qualifying programs.

Seniors age 60 and older that cannot come to the center may qualify for meals being brought to their home.

For questions, call center director Donna Falls at (334) 897-3019.

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Architect. The Architect is unable to monitor, confirm and maintain other websites that provide documents. Addendums will be provided to entities that have CONFIRMED bidding for this particular project. The Architect retains ownership and copyrights of the documents. If bidders require printed sets, the following shall apply: Submit to the Architect at mckeeplans@gmail.com the company's name, first & last name, phone number, address, project name & number along with a deposit of \$125.00 per set. The deposit shall be refunded for each set returned in reusable condition within ten days after bid opening.

All RFIs and RFAs regarding the bid documents shall be sent and addressed through emails found on the RFI and RFA forms in the project manual. NOTE: ONLY THE RFI AND RFA FORMS IN THE PROJECT MANUAL WILL BE ACCEPTED. The Architect will not accept inquiries via telephone or fax.

Completion Time: See scope of work in Project Manual.

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Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Mularz Family headed off to the beach last week for a few days or rest and relaxation, and it was a good time had by all as the girls enjoyed staying next to FloraBama, the grandchildren enjoyed the sand and water, and the grandparents got to babysit our youngest and get in a little walking along the shore. I'm not really a beach person, but I will admit it was a fun couple of days and I think everyone had a good time.

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers got rained out last week** at a spring break tournament in Opp, and while the rains did give the team a few extra days off, I still look for the Tigers to come out roaring in the weeks to come and turn the season around. While it is true the Tigers are already out of the playoff picture, they still love the sport and I expect them to post a winning record for the three weeks left on the schedule. **The Lady Tigers took the week off** and will face an almost non-stop schedule the rest of the season as they fight to earn a trip to the beach for the South Regionals. I know it may take the girls a few days to get back settled in, but I still believe their best softball is still yet to come.

*** **It was a quiet week for the teams in the area** as only Kinston was able to get in some games, and the Bulldogs made the most of their opportunities as they swept area for Houston County to clinch a spot in the playoffs. The Bulldogs got off to a slow start this season, but have begun to look like a winning team in recent weeks and once the playoffs get started they will get the chance to make history.

*** **The high school sports scene** took a few days off last week due to spring break and while it did make it a little hard to find some sports to write about for this week's paper, I am sure the players and coaches needed the break and are enjoying their time off. The baseball season will get back to work with area games as they try to make the post-season party, while the softball teams will also get busy as they begin the final month of the regular season. The seasons may be winding down, but the excitement will be even greater than before and the fans should get to do a lot more cheering for their favorite teams.

*** **The Major League Baseball season** started this week and if you think pro football is just about millionaires playing football, the same can certainly be said about pro baseball players. Forbes released its list of big money players for the upcoming season and while it does include money made from endorsements, the figures are staggering. Angels pitcher Shohei Ohtani will make a cool \$65 million this season, followed on the top five, in order, by Mets pitcher Max Scherzer (\$59.3 million), Yankees outfielder Aaron Judge (\$44.5 million), Mets pitcher Justin Verlander (\$43.4 million) and Angels outfielder Mike Trout (\$39.5 million). While the players atop the big money list at least have a chance to earn some of their money, former Cincinnati Reds outfielder Ken Griffey has been retired for over a decade and is still the Reds fourth highest paid employee with an annual salary of \$3.6 million, due to a deferred payment plan. Since the golfers on the LIV Tour can make millions playing golf in short pants, I guess it is safe to say the sports world has changed since we were kids.

*** **In closing....** I didn't watch much of the NCAA tournaments over the weekend, but did catch the final few minutes of Iowa's win over South Carolina, and while I know the Gamecocks are in the SEC and were looking to add to the glory of the conference, their loss only proved once again that anybody can be beaten on any given night. A look at the men's bracket proved not even the committee knew as much as it thought. So, that is what makes March so maddening.

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Repeats as sophomore

Whitfield named to 'Super 12' team

The Dothan Eagle announced its annual 'Super 12' high school girls' basketball team last week and included on the honored list for the second consecutive year was Elba Lady Tiger A'Lyric Whitfield.

Whitfield, a 5'6" sophomore, guard, averaged 23.4 points per game during the 2022-23 season and helped lead the Lady Tigers to the Class 1A state tournament. She also averaged 5 rebounds, 2.4 assists, 5.8 steals and 1.3 blocks a game.

Other members of this year's 'Super 12' were KK Hobdy, 5-6, senior, guard; Charles Henderson; Ameyah Gray, 5-10, senior, guard/forward; Carroll; Ganielle Palmer, 5-8, sophomore, guard, Eufaula; Alexus Neal, 6-0, senior, center, Headland; Makaley Boswell, 5-6, senior, guard, Geneva; Amiyah Lewis, 5-10, sophomore, center, Ashford; Ja'Mya Glover, 6-0, junior, guard/forward; center, Abbeville; Saniya Keys, 6-1, junior, center, Cottonwood; Jordyn Alston, 5-7, senior, guard, Geneva County; Emma Claire Long, 5-11, senior, forward, G.W. Long; and Brantley Edberg, 5-7, junior, guard, Samson.

Players receiving 'Honorable Mention' included; Sarah Amos, Enterprise; Taliyah Carter, Carroll; Iyauna Gordy, Eufaula; Simone Minnifield, Geneva; Kaden Ward, Geneva; Jekena Curr, Ashford; Lauren Baker, Houston Academy; Camille Reeves, Houston Academy; Dana Cool, Northside Methodist; Addie Forrester, Northside Methodist; Anna Beth Townsend, Providence Christian; Vanessa Stoudemire, Opp; Taniyah Green, Pike County; Amity White, Pike County; Gabby Brown, Abbeville; Bre Hardaman, Abbeville; Charlianna Boutwell, Geneva County; Maleah Long, G.W. Long; Tamia Peterson, Barbour County; Kaley Norris, Kinston; Caroline Armstrong, Abbeville Christian; Anna Grace Blalock, Abbeville Christian; Eliza Eriksen, Lakeside School; and, Chloe Helms, Lakeside School.

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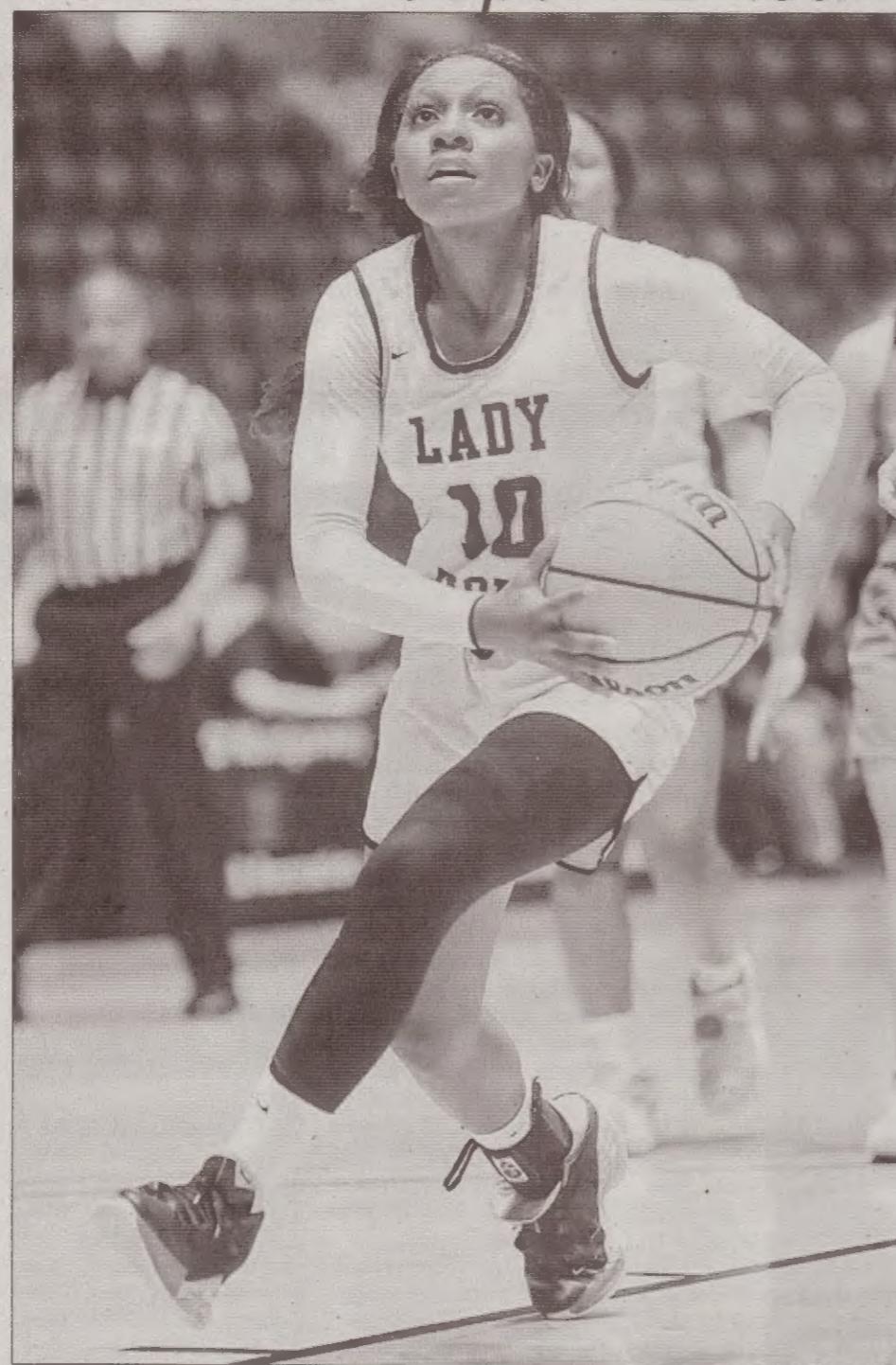
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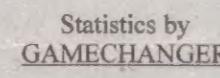
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Elba Lady Tiger A'Lyric Whitfield (10) drives to the basket in post-season action. Whitfield, only a sophomore, was named to The Dothan Eagle 'Super 12' high school team for the second straight season.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Kinston Bulldogs clinch playoff berth

Statistics by 

The Kinston Bulldogs clinched a berth in the Class 1A state high school baseball playoffs last week with a 5-2, 15-2 double-header sweep over the Houston County Lions.

In the opening 5-2 win, the Bulldogs carried a 4-0 lead into the sixth inning and turned back a late Lions rally to claim the area win. Marcus Free had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI to lead Kinston

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at the plate, while Tripp Hawthorne added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Drew Branch added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI; and, Brodie Walker added 1 hit and 2 RBIs. Cale Sumblin was the winning pitcher as he pitched five scoreless innings and allowed no hits, while striking out 12. Cade Jones pitched two innings and allowed one earned run on two hits, while striking out 16.

In the 15-2 win, the Bulldogs exploded for 11 runs in the fourth inning to stretch a slim 4-2 lead as they completed the sweep. Tripp Hawthorne had 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 1 RBI to lead Kinston at the plate, while Cade Jones added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 RBIs; Marcus Free added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 RBIs; and, Owen Patterson added 1 hit; scored 3 runs and had 1 RBI. Owen Patterson pitched a three-inning one-hitter with three strikeouts to pick up the win on the mound, while CJ Lunsford pitched one inning of no-hit ball with three strikeouts.

By The Dothan Eagle

Two Rebels and one Gamecock chosen 'Super 12' honorable mention selections

The Dothan Eagle

announced its annual

'Super 12' high school boys' basketball picks

last week with two Zion

Chapel Rebels and one

New Brockton Gamecock

earning 'Honorable Mention' honors.

Zion Chapel's Slade Grantham and Jacob Chestnut were among area players receiving honorable mention on the honored list of Wiregrass prep stars, as was New Brockton's Yassiah Rouseau.

Grantham, a 5-11, junior, guard, averaged 18.7 points a game in 32 games, as well as 5.5 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 3.1 steals. Chestnut, a 5-9, junior, guard, also played in 32 games and averaged 18.2 points a game, as well as 2.7 rebounds, 2.1 assists and .9 steals.

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Players named to the

'Super 12' included

Thomas Dowd, 6-7, senior, guard, Dothan;

Zavier Womack, 6-7, senior, center, Carroll;

Austin Cross, 6-3, senior, guard, Charles Henderson;

Jayden Spearman, 6-3, senior, forward, Charles Henderson;

Toney Coleman, Jr., 6-3, junior, guard, Eufaula;

Junior Smith, 6-6, freshman, forward, Dale County;

Cam Fields, 6-1, junior, guard, Ashford;

Rod Jackson, 6-3, junior, guard, Barbour;

Houston Academy; Pearce Boone, 6-4, freshman,

forward, Providence Christian; Ian Senn, 6-2, junior, guard, Ariton;

Dylan Crawford, 6-2, senior, guard, Abbeville;

and, Dyqwayshon Grubbs, 6-3, junior, guard, Barbour

Menefee, Dothan; Jordan Hines, Enterprise; Lakeith Person, Carroll; Takota McLeod, Carroll; Jy'won Boyd, Charles Henderson; Tyler Charlton, Charles Henderson; Yhonzae Pierre, Eufaula; Cornelius Arnold, Headland; Tylen Williams, Headland; Jaxon Williams, Headland; Nick McCarter, Dale County; Noah Johnson, Geneva; Evan Griffin, Geneva; Rayshaw Miller, Slocomb; Brody Campbell, Slocomb; Cade Birge, Slocomb; Moses McDowell, Daleville; Kadyln Mitchell, Houston Academy; Brayden Clements, Northside Methodist; Ahmond Billins, Abbeville; Omari Holmes, Geneva County; Kell Brown, Abbeville Christian; and, Aden Spann, Wiregrass Kings.

Player of the Year - Thomas Dowd, Dothan

Coach of the Year - Jeremy Bynum, Dothan

Honorable mention honors went to Bryson Berry, Dothan; Mehkai

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Brantley's Leanna Johnson moves atop career win list in Troy softball

Former Brantley Lady Bulldog softball standout Leanna Johnson added yet another page to her chapter in the Troy University record book last week when she became the school's 'All-Time' winningest pitcher in the history of Trojan softball with a 9-2 win over the University Louisiana-Monroe.

The win was the 94th of her career with the Trojans in 158 appearances and in the win pitched six innings with an earned run average of 1.31, and with the win upped her record this season to an outstanding 17-3.

During her career at Troy, Johnson has been named the 2019 Sun Belt Freshman of the Year, 2019 All-Sun Belt First Team, 2019 NFCA All-Sun Belt, 2021 Preseason All-Sun Belt, 2021 All-Sun Belt First Team, 2021 NFCA All-South Region Second Team, 2022 All-Sun Belt First Team, and 2022 NFCA All-South Region Second Team.

During her freshman season in 2019, Johnson ended the season with 231 strikeouts, 25 victories and seven shutouts, ranking her in Troy's top ten single-season records in all three categories. She posted a 2.19 earned run average over 217.3 innings and

tossed her first career no-hitter against Georgia Southern. She earned Pitcher of the Week honors on April 7 after picking up three wins, including two shutouts, and struck out a team high 15 batters in a win over Appalachian State.

During her freshman

season in 2020, Johnson made 19 appearances with 14 starts and posted an 11-3 record. She led the nation in shutouts (7), ranked sixth in strikeouts (137), and ranked ninth in victories (11) and ninth in saves (3). She recorded a 1.71 earned run average, second best in the conference, held opponents to a .153 batting average and etched her name into the number nine spot in Troy's single-season shutouts list. She was the Sun Belt Conference Pitcher of the Week on March 3 after tossing a pair of shutouts and picking up a save.

During her sophomore

season in 2021, Johnson was a three-time Sun Belt Pitcher of the Week honoree, ranked 12th nationally in strikeouts (260), 14th in strikeouts per seven innings (7), 22nd in hits allowed per seven innings (4.14) and 26th in victories (21). She led the conference in shutouts, strikeouts and hits allowed, ranked fifth in



High School Sports PREP BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SCHEDULES

Thursday, April 6

(Baseball)
Houston County at Elba (DH)
Pike County at New Brockton
Zion Chapel at Arinton
(Softball)
Elba at Houston County
Zion Chapel at Goshen
Ashford at Brantley

Friday, April 7

(Baseball)
Elba at Houston County
New Brockton at Pike County (DH)
Straughn at Brantley
Ariton at Zion Chapel (DH)
(Softball)
Pike County at Elba
Brantley, at Saraland Tournament

Saturday, April 8

(Softball)
Brantley, at Saraland Tourney

Monday, April 10

(Baseball)
Wicksburg at Elba
Brantley at New Brockton
(Softball)
Kinston at Elba
Brantley at Red Level

Tuesday, April 11

(Baseball)
Elba at Pleasant Home
Florala at Kinston
Brantley at Greenville
Pike Lib at Zion Chapel
(Softball)
Eufaula at New Brockton
New Brockton at Pike Lib.
Brantley vs. Houston County (Dothan)
Brantley vs. Rehobeth (Dothan)
Zion Chapel at Luverne

Thursday, April 13

(Baseball)
Pleasant Home at Elba (DH)
New Brockton at Opp
Kinston at Florala (DH)
McKenzie at Brantley
(Softball)
Brantley vs. Enterprise (Dothan)
Brantley vs. Providence Ch. (Dothan)
Pike Lib at Zion Chapel
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COMMUNITY NEWS



7 Time Winners

Zion Chapel's Avery Padgett and Ethan Young (pictured, center) received their seventh all-time Freedom Marine Center Contingency Check for \$1,000 on Saturday, March 25th.

Zion Chapel Bass Team wins Freedom Marine Center Contingency award at Saturday, March 25, tournament

Weather always plays a role when fishing; there are easy days and challenging days. The Zion Chapel Bass Team faced a weather delay Saturday, March 25, when they fished Lake Martin; however, the daunting weather cleared and allowed the team to have a productive day of fishing.

With Kyle Padgett as captain, Team Avery Padgett/Ethan Young fished their third tournament on the Alabama BASS Nation

High School/Tiger Trail. They caught their limit of five fish weighing in at 6.88 pounds, which was not a good day for weight, but, as their coach stated, it was a good day for money. For the seventh time, Padgett/Young won the Freedom Marine Center Contingency check for \$1,000. One of the BASS Nation officials commented that Ken Chambers (Freedom Marine owner) is paying for their education at Troy

University. The ZCBT salutes the Kinston Bass Team, another Coffee County School, for placing in the top ten. This is Kinston's first year competing, and the team was organized by a familiar face, Brian Lassiter. Brian served as captain for the ZCBT in their early years of tournament fishing.

The Zion Chapel Bass Team has often mentioned their sponsors, but they have never named them. This team could not travel and compete in these tournaments without financial support.

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ANDERSON SPEAKS TO DAR CHAPTER...Dr. Jack Anderson (right) was the featured speaker on "Flags" at the John Coffee Daughters of the American Revolution NSDAR Chapter meeting. Anderson has a large collection of flags he has accumulated over the years, and each one has a very interesting story behind its adoption and when it was flown. The flag shown in the photo is the first "Navy Jack Flag" (1775) and was the naval jack of the United States from 1775 to 1796 and again from 2002 to 2019. It was authorized by the U.S. Navy and was flown from the jackstaff of commissioned vessels of the U.S. Navy while moored pierside or at anchor. Its design consists of a rattlesnake, superimposed across 13 horizontal alternating red and white stripes with the motto "Don't Tread On Me." Some of the other flags shown and origins explained included the "Bennig/Fillmore Flag" (1776), "Flag of the United States" (1777) with 13 stripes and 13 white stars in a blue field; "Bonnie Blue Flag" (1810) Republic of West Florida; "Star Spangled Banner" (1814) with 15 stripes and 15 stars; "23 Star Flag" (1820), which includes Alabama; "Stars and Bars" (1861) flag of the Confederacy; and the current flag with 50 stars 1959 to present day. Also pictured, left, is John Coffee DAR Regent Jacque Hawkins.

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The standing order allows

pharmacists to dispense naloxone formulations and dosages that are prescription only. Medicaid patients can access naloxone through prescription.

"The Alabama Pharmacy Association applauds the FDA's decision to make this life-saving drug available without a prescription to anyone who needs it," said Louise Jones, APA chief executive officer. "Only the Narcan 4 mg nasal spray version has been approved for over-the-counter (OTC) use. The Alabama current statewide standing order issued by the state health officer will remain in place as the injectable version will still require a prescription. It should be noted that Alabama Medicaid recipients have coverage for the nasal spray, but Medicaid requires a prescription for OTC products. APA, in collaboration with the Alabama Department of Public Health and Alabama Medicaid, has

worked to maintain access for our state's most vulnerable population."

Jones added, "Pharmacists

and pharmacy practices across Alabama who have participated in the Naloxone

Statewide Standing Order have been, and will continue to be, instrumental in helping patients get access to naloxone, and other supportive therapies to help reduce the risk of an opioid-related overdose. Pharmacies are highly accessible, critical access points that allow patients, caregivers, and families to connect with their trusted pharmacist to learn more about naloxone and the risk associated with opioid medications."

Naloxone information can

be viewed at the following website: <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/pharmacy/naloxone.html>

Additional resources are

also available at <https://vitalalabama.com/get-information/odds-are-alabama/>



MASTER GARDENER'S PLANT SALE...The members of the Coffee County Master Gardener's Association recently held their annual plant sale in Enterprise. Members brought plants from their gardens with photos and instructions on how to care for many of the plants that were for sale. Special thanks to all the individuals who purchased plants to make this a successful fund raiser. Shown in photo from left Debbie Austin; CCMGA President Rodney Penuel; Jacque Hawkins; Georgia Fleming; Cliff Capps; Fran Garza; Ona Garwood and Brenda Evans. If interested in becoming a Master Gardener, contact the Coffee County Extension Office, 334-894-5596, to be added to the list for the next Master Gardener Training.



ANDERSON SPEAKS TO DAR CHAPTER...Dr. Jack Anderson (right) was the featured speaker on "Flags" at the John Coffee Daughters of the American Revolution NSDAR Chapter meeting. Anderson has a large collection of flags he has accumulated over the years, and each one has a very interesting story behind its adoption and when it was flown. The flag shown in the photo is the first "Navy Jack Flag" (1775) and was the naval jack of the United States from 1775 to 1796 and again from 2002 to 2019. It was authorized by the U.S. Navy and was flown from the jackstaff of commissioned vessels of the U.S. Navy while moored pierside or at anchor. Its design consists of a rattlesnake, superimposed across 13 horizontal alternating red and white stripes with the motto "Don't Tread On Me." Some of the other flags shown and origins explained included the "Bennig/Fillmore Flag" (1776), "Flag of the United States" (1777) with 13 stripes and 13 white stars in a blue field; "Bonnie Blue Flag" (1810) Republic of West Florida; "Star Spangled Banner" (1814) with 15 stripes and 15 stars; "23 Star Flag" (1820), which includes Alabama; "Stars and Bars" (1861) flag of the Confederacy; and the current flag with 50 stars 1959 to present day. Also pictured, left, is John Coffee DAR Regent Jacque Hawkins.

Lambert named to Provost's List at Troy University

Jessica Lambert, of Elba, Ala., has been named to the Provost's List at Troy University for Term 3 of the 2022-2023 academic year.

The Provost's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who have a grade point average of at least 3.65. Term 3 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with students outside of Alabama and online.

Robbins named to Chancellor's List at Troy

Amanda Robbins, of Kinston, Ala., has been named to the Chancellor's List at Troy University for Term 3 of the 2022-2023 academic year.

The Chancellor's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who earn a grade point average of 4.0. Term 3 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with students outside of Alabama and online.

New Hope Senior Center looking for new participants

The New Hope Senior Citizens Center is taking applications for new participants. Must be age 60 or older. For more info., contact Conzuela Banks, center manager.

